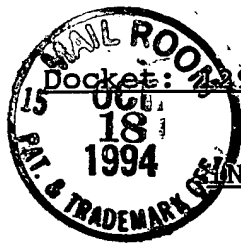


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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

SIR:

Prior to examination, please amend the above-identified application as follows.

IN THE CLAIMS

Please amend claims 79, 80 and 81 as follows:

In line 2 of claim 79, line 3 of claim 80, line 5 of claim 81, delete "and 53" and insert --, 53 and 102--.

Please add the following claim.

C' --102. The taxoid according to claim 53 wherein R represents an acetyl radical.--.

REMARKS

Claim 102 has been added to recite a further species claim specific to a particular taxoid derivative which is presently included in the sub-genus of claim 53. The pharmaceutical